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1. TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADER DENKTASH, SPEAKING TO THE PRESS IN ANKARA FOLLOWING THE MAY 6 MEETING OF THE CYPRUS COORDINATING COMMITTEE, DISCUSSED ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL MATTERS. SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF HIS STATEMENT WERE:

A. TAX REBATES ON IMPORTS FROM TURKEY ARE BEING PLANNED.

B. SOME STATE FARMS WERE BEING GIVEN TO TURK CYPRIOTS ARRIVING FROM THE SOUTH.

C. THE TURKISH CYPRIOT FEDERATED STATE (TCFS) BUDGET WAS
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ONE BILLION TURKISH LIRA (APPROXIAMTELY DOLS 70 MILLION), HALF

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TO COME FROM REVENUES, HALF FROM LOANS. HOWEVER, HE NOTED "IF THE REVENUES WE ENVISAGE ARE NOT FORTHCOMING, THEN THE HOMELAND WILL ASSIST US AS WELL. ALSO, PART OF THE CURRENT EXPENDITURE WILL BE MET BY THE HOMELAND THIS YEAR."

D. TURKISH PROPERTY LEFT ON BRITISH BASES IS WORTH "BILLIONS OF LIRA" AND TCFS IS NEGOTIATING WITH THE BRITISH AUTHORITIES FOR ITS RETURN.

2. DENKTASH ALSO MET WITH REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY CHAIRMAN ECEVIT MAY 6. DENKTASH, ANSWERING REPORTERS' QUESTIONS AFTER THE MEETING, STATED THAT "WE DO NOT FEEL OBLIGATED TO MAKE CONCESSIONS." ASKED IF THE GOT WERE PUTTING PRESSURE ON THEM TO MAKE CONCESSIONS, HE ANSWERED THAT THIS WOULD BE A "TOTAL FABRICATION AND SLANDER."

3. MAY 7 MASS CIRCULATION HURRIYET FEATURES AN EDITORIAL CRITICAL OF DENKTASH'S PERFORMANCE AT THE VIENNA TALKS. "DENKTASH AND THE TURK-CYPRIOT DELEGATION WENT TO THE CONFERENCE COMPLETELY UNPREPARED AND ... ALL HE SAID WAS 'NO' TO EVERYTHING THE GREEK CYPRIOTS ASKED.". THE EDITORIAL EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT THE DELEGATION WILL NOT MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE IN THE SECOND PHASE OF THE TALKS. THE EDITORIAL CONCLUDES, "THE CAUSE OF THE TURK CYPRIOTS IS A CAUSE OF MAINLAND TURKS, HOWEVER, THE CAUSES OF TURK-CYPRIOT ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS ARE NOT A GENUINE CONCERN FOR MAINLAND TURKS."
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